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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND SEQUENCE SUBMISSION STATEMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter the following amendment.

**IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING**

Please replace the Sequence Listing originally submitted in the above-identified application with the Substitute Sequence Listing provided herewith.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

**Please replace the paragraph on page 1 beginning at line 14 and ending at line 19 with the following paragraph:**

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